

1996 Liberty Wing DUI rate

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<u>Sq.</u>	Assigned	<u>DUIs</u>	<u>Last DUI</u>
MSS	172	0	-
CES	213	3	Oct. 12, 96
SPS	414	2	Dec. 6, 96
SVS	60	1	Dec. 21, 96
CS	176	1	Nov. 12, 96
CPTF	23	0	Late 1993
MDOS	326	1	Jan. 5, 97
AMDS	50	1	May 5
MDSS	170	2	Dec. 13
DS	102	1	May 11
LGS	56	1	June 29, 96
CRS	465	3	Nov. 16, 96
CONS	20	0	-
EMS	622	4	Oct. 4, 96
SUPS	219	0	-
TRANS	102	3	March 30, 96
OSS	181	3	Aug. 19, 96
492nd	383	5	Oct. 13, 96
493rd	297	2	Sept. 7, 96
494th	377	5	Oct. 6, 96
5th SPSS	62	0	-
18th IS	29	0	-
Det. 16	23	0	-
TOTAL	4,542	38	

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On the cover

Photo by A1C Grace Keel

Taylor Hermes, daughter of SSgt. Pat and Kelly Hermes holds the Liberty Wing's torch high for 1997.

Perspective Liberty shines bright in 1997

By Col. Doug Richardson 48th Fighter Wing commander

Happy new year, Liberty Wing!

Just like 1996, we've got a challenging year ahead as America's premier front-line fighter wing. In fact, the 494th Panthers have already deployed to Incirlik AB, Turkey, to participate in the successor mission to Operation Provide Comfort and the 493rd Reapers will join them next week.

This year, the 48th will "engage" in operations and training in many places, including weapons training in Spain in April; a Maple Flag exercise in Canada in May and the Ample Train exercise later that month; a Weapons Systems Evaluation Program in Florida in June; the NATO Air Meet and a Tactical Fighter Weaponry deployment in August; and the Tactical Leadership Program in Belgium in September.

The wing will have a chance to demonstrate our attention to detail during a staff assistant Surety Inspection by the USAFE Inspector General team in June and again, in October, for the actual Surety Inspection.

Additionally, the Liberty Wing will be host to numerous military-to-military visits, special inspections and many distinguished visitors.

Those are some of our major operational activities we'll tackle this year. In the support side of the house, look for continued improvements in services and facilities. For a complete listing and status report, turn to

page 13 to see what major projects the Liberty Wing has underway. I think you'll be amazed at the amount of activity!

Because of our mission and record of outstanding service, the Liberty Wing is one of the Air Force's busiest communities. It's only because of the high caliber of Liberty Wing airmen that we continue to excel in every challenge we face.

As we go through this challenging year, remember that the strength of this wing is built upon the strength of each individual's character. It's your dedication to duty, your service before self, and your pursuit of excellence that makes the difference. Whether you're posting a tech order, extracting a tooth, engaging a "MiG," or guarding our gates, we all rely on each other to give 100 percent and do the best job we can. But this is only one-half of the secret formula for building great combat capability, readiness and spirit! The other half is hidden in following the old "Golden Rule." Put these two together and we have a road map for building a great Air Force community and a winning team.

Together with our sister wing, the 100th Air Refueling Wing at RAF Mildenhall, I'm confident that our combined Air Force community will build the reputation as the finest in Europe.

I wish each of you and your families a prosperous new year and thank you for your dedication and sacrifice to the U.S. Air Force and the greatest fighter wing in the world — the 48th Fighter Wing.

Safe holiday season needs vigilant follow-up

By Gen. Michael Ryan USAFE commander

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany (USAFENS) -- Congratulations to all for one of the safest holiday seasons in command history. I believe this kind of safety record is a direct reflection of commander involvement, heightened risk awareness, and integration of a safety mindset at every level across the command.

However, now is not the time to relax.

January has historically been a high mishap rate month. Past years are filled with examples of post-holiday complacency. I ask you all to not let your guard down. Now is the time to focus on re-energizing your training programs with a crawl, walk, run mentality.

Involvement in your organization's safety programs with a clear goal of managing and minimizing risk is the key. I challenge every commander, supervisor, and Air Force member to continue their sterling efforts so that we can make 1997 the safest year in USAFE. Have a happy and safe new year.

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> Tolnosm 48th Fighter Wing commander



News 3rd AF commanders to examine AFA interest

By Capt. Patrick Ryder Public affairs

Third Air Force senior commanders will address Air Force Association members from RAFs Lakenheath and Mildenhall at a luncheon Jan. 23 to determine interest in starting a local AFA chapter.

Maj. Gen. Tad Oelstrom, 3rd AF com-

Fighter Squadrons deploy

More than 200 members from the 493rd and 494th Fighter Squadrons are deploying to Incirlik AB, Turkey, throughout the week to participate in the successor mission to Operation Provide Comfort.

They will be in Turkey for 90 days to fly sorties enforcing the U.N. declared "no fly zone" above the Northern Iraq 36th parallel. Hundreds of Kurdish refugees fled to this area following Desert Storm escaping Saddam Hussain's re-

During the deployment, wing units will be part of coalition forces from the United States, Great Britain and Turkey. mander, and Col. Vince Horrigan, 3rd AF vice-commander, will speak about the Air Force's 50th anniversary and several AFA issues from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Mildenhall's officers' club. Non-AFA members interested in joining are also invited.

'The AFA is an independent, civilian, nonprofit aerospace organization that addresses the defense responsibilities of the United States," said Lt. Col. Michael Bradley, luncheon organizer. "It's mission is to educate people on what aerospace technology can contribute to mankind."

While not officially endorsed by the U.S. Air Force, the organization consists mainly of active duty Air Force personnel, Air Force guard and reserve members, military cadets, veterans, retirees and civilians. First begun after World War II, the organization now has over 170,000 members worldwide, according to the AFA.

The sandwich luncheon costs \$7.50 per person and dress is uniform of the day. Due to limited seating, anyone interested in attending should call Bradley no later than Jan. 20 at Lakenheath at Ext. 3737 (e-mail: bradleym@48fw.lakenheath.af.mil), or Lt. Col. Scott Phillips at Mildenhall at Ext. 2008 (e-mail: phillips@100arw.mildenhall.af.mil).



Liberty Wing gets new RAF commander

Squadron Leader Martin Godfrey took over as RAF commander for RAF Lakenheath Jan. 8. Godfrey comes to the Liberty Wing from the Falkland Islands where he served in the British Forces Headquarters. Godfrey replaces Squadron Leader Jeff Harker who is now assigned to the British Embassy in Washington D.C.

Chief of staff describes themes for 1997

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Ronald R. Fogleman has said he is focusing on people and vision in

In his first year as chief of staff, the general emphasized people and stability.

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Gen. Ronald R. Fogleman

Air Force Chief of Staff

During his second year, he stressed people and modernization. In 1997, he has added the recently released strategic vision for the Air Force — "Global Engagement."

"The people who make up our Air Force team are the most important thing for our service to focus on," Fogleman

said. "They are the foundation of our strength. We must recruit, train and retain the highest quality force possible. If we are to be successful, then we must take care of our people and their families."

families."

The chief of staff said Air Force leaders will aggressively support the service's broad strategy for enhancing quality of life for its people. That strategy is designed to secure fair and equitable compensation, safe and affordable housing, quality health care, balanced personnel tempo, effective community programs, sustained retirement ben-

> efits and expanded educational opportunities.

> "Additionally," the general stressed, "we will seek increased funding for recruiting and advertising to sustain our aggressive efforts to attract high-caliber people into our Air Force."

Fogleman said, "Our second major

theme for 1997 is the Air Force's new strategic vision — 'Global Engagement.' This is not my vision, nor Secretary [of the Air Force Sheila E.] Widnall's vision. It is the Air Force's vision for the first quarter of the 21st century."

"It's the product of an 18-month plan-

ning effort by senior military and civilian leaders to define the role of air and space power for the nation in the next century. Therefore, it is essential that all Air Force members become familiar with this new vision and what it means for our service as we prepare to enter the 21st century.'

A key element of this vision is a revised list of core competencies that the Air Force will provide the nation to underwrite future warfighting concepts laid out by the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in his "Joint Vision 2010" document.

The core competencies are air and space superiority, global attack, rapid global mobility, precision engagement, information superiority and agile combat support.

"We will provide these core competencies for the nation by fielding the air and space capabilities that come through our balanced, time-phased modernization program," said the general. That program includes the following:

□ 120 C-17s for rapid global mobility in the near-term;

☐ Conventional bomber upgrades and precision munitions for global attack and

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Youth center grand opening

The youth center grand opening celebration is Jan. 18. There will be a children's dance recital, martial arts demonstrations, climbing-wall demonstrations, and prize drawings. The staff will also offer tour of the facility throughout the day. For more information, call the 48th Services Squadron marketing office staff at Ext. 3066.

Thousands of airmen eligible for Montgomery GI Bill conversion

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — More than 30,000 Air Force members can switch from their VEAP education benefit program to one with higher payouts starting Feb. 1.

Airmen who entered active duty from 1977 to 1985 could enroll in VEAP. If they did so, they could contribute up to \$2,700 into the program, with the government making a two-for-one dollar match. The total benefit was \$8,100.

Since 1985, airmen could enroll in the Montgomery GI Bill. Those who enrolled contributed \$100 per month for a year and will receive a total return of \$15,400.

Those interested in the program have until Oct. 8 to fill out a VEAP disensollment form and a Montgomery GI Bill enrollment form at the education office.

Did You Know?

- ☐ Orderly rooms must ensure that Personal Reliability Program status appears on all temporary duty orders and the unit PRP monitor must initial off on them to show the member has been briefed on their PRP responsibilities while on TDY. (For information, call Ext. 2068)
- ☐ All dependents must carry a valid passport when traveling abroad. Dependents who don't have European Community passports should have a current VISA stamp on their passport granting permission to be in the United Kingdom. (For information, call Ext. 2303)

Airmen will receive full refunds for remaining funds in their VEAP accounts. They may then make a lump sum payment of \$1,200 or a payroll deduction of \$100 a month for 12 months to the Montgomery GI Bill. They cannot use their new education benefits until they are fully vested with the \$1,200 in the GI Bill account.

For more information, call the education office at Ext. 3851.

Enlisted promotion rates increase in 1997

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — Air Force personnel officials have announced an early holiday present for many noncommissioned officer grades. Promotion rates to staff, technical and master sergeants will increase in 1997 to the highest levels seen in the last 10 years.

"During the drawdown we were forced to stick with TOPCAP (Total Objective Plan for Career Airmen Personnel) minimum promotion rates so we would not overproduce NCOs," said Lt. Gen. Michael D. McGinty, deputy chief of staff for personnel. "However, as end strength and requirements stabilize, we now have the opportunity to raise our promotion rates."

The largest increase will come at technical sergeant with an increase of more than 3 percent from the 1996 rate. The expected promotion rate of 14.7 percent has not been reached since 1987. The drawdown's low point for technical sergeants was 11.1 percent in 1988.

Master sergeants will get about a 1.7 percent boost to 21.2 percent in 1997. This promotion rate is higher than any since 1987 at this grade. In 1990, during the drawdown, master sergeant promotions dipped to a low of 18.9 percent.

Staff sergeant promotion rates will increase by about 1 percent to 17.6 percent. Although a modest increase, this rate is the highest enjoyed by prospective staffs since 1987, with the exception of one year in 1995. Staff sergeants labored under a 5.5 percent promotion rate at one time during the drawdown. "A promotion rate of 17.6 percent, will be a welcome change," said McGinty.

McGinty went on to say, "As end strength slowly stabilizes, increasing promotion rates is the right thing for our people and the Air Force. This will balance our grades and continue to provide a good opportunity for career progression."

Study reference requirements change for some career fields

RANDOLPH AFB, Texas (AFNS) — Since publication of the 1996 Weighted Airmen Promotion System Catalog Aug. 10, there have been nine pen and ink changes affecting the study reference requirements for 23 Air Force specialty codes. The following AFSCs are affected:

Master sergeant/technical sergeant cycle — 1T071, survival training; 2A673, aircrew egress systems; 3C371, comm-comp sys planning and implementation; 3S171, social actions; 4A171, medical materiel; 4A271, biomedical equipment; 4C071, mental health service; 4E071, public health; 4N171C, surgical service (orthopedic); 4R071A, B, C, radiologic; and 8F070, first sergeant.

Staff sergeant testing cycle — 1A151C, flight engineer; 1T051, survival training; 2A651B, aerospace propulsion; 2A653, aircrew egress systems; 3E871 and 3E851, explosive ordinance disposal; 3C351, comm-comp sys planning and implementation; 3S151, social actions; 4C051, mental health service; 4A151, medical material; 4A251, biomedical equipment; and 4R051A, B, C, radiologic.

Enlisted people in these AFSCs should contact their unit WAPS monitor to view the changes. The changes have also been posted to the electronic version of the cata-

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precision engagement in the early midterm;

- D Evolved expendable launch vehicle, space-based infrared system and airborne laser for air and space superiority in the later midterm;
- ☐ F-22 for air and space superiority in the far-term;
- ☐ And Joint Strike Fighter for global attack and precision

engagement in the far-term.

The chief of staff emphasized that "Our new vision commits the Air Force to a vigorous program of experimenting, testing and exercising new systems and operations concepts for their employment.

"So," he said, "we are establishing new, focused battle labs to promote innovation in the key areas of space operations, air expeditionary forces, battle management, force pro-

tection, information warfare and unmanned aerial vehicles."

The new vision recognizes the crucial role played by talented and motivated people in preparing the Air Force for the challenges of the future. It reaffirms the core values of "integrity first," "service before self" and "excellence in all we do." It also underwrites the commitment of the senior leadership to provide all Air Force people a quality environment

in which they can realize their full potential.

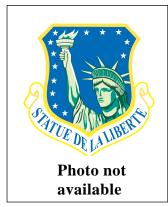
"A big part of our vision process is an understanding by our people that this new vision will not result in abrupt or unnecessary changes to the way we are going about our business of providing combat capability for the nation," said Fogleman. "In the end, that's what counts ... being able to defend America ... to fight and win the nation's wars when called upon to do so."

48th Fighter Wing **Award Winners**

Step promotees



TSgt. Lorinda Tromblee 48th Supply Squadron promoted Dec. 24



MSgt. Theodore Kelley 493rd Fighter Squadron promoted Dec. 20



TSgt. Jeffrey Keeling 48th Civil Engineer Squadron promoted Dec. 20

January promotions

Officer promotions

Six RAF Lakenheath officers were promoted Jan. 1. They are: John Hesterman, 492nd Fighter Squadron; Michael Spencer, 494th FS; Mark Bucknam, Air Force Institute of Technology (gain); and William McClure, 493rd FS were promoted to lieutenant colonel. Karen Kinne, 48th Medical Operations Squadron, and Phillip Beaudoin, 48th Fighter Wing, were promoted to major.

Three officers will be promoted to first lieutenant Jan. 27. They are Craig Miller, 48th Operation Support Squadron, Michael Davies, 451st Intelligence Squadron and Troy Gilbert, 48th FW. Deanna Pekarek, 48th MDOS, will be promoted to first lieutenant Jan.

Enlisted promotions For January:

To master sergeant Norman Arnold, 48th Component Repair Squadron; Maura Barton, 48th OSS; Michael Clark, 451st Intelligence Squadron; and James Dixon, 48th Security Police Squadron.

To technical sergeant

Donald Earley, 48th CRS, Milo Ferry, 493rd FS; Joseph Hart, 48th Comptroller Flight; Thomas Lloyd, 48th Equipment Maintenance Squadron; John Matthews, 372nd Training Squadron Detachment 16; Nathan Oakes, 48th Logistics Support Squadron; Christina Torian, 48th CPTF; Gilberto Vargas, 48th Supply Squadron; William Vargas, 451st IS; and Christopher Wuerthner, Air Force News.

To staff sergeant

Robert Andrae, 48th CRS; Abraham Brutus Deany, 48th CRS; Pamela Gholston, 48th Medical Support Squadron; and Michael Thompson, 451st IS.

To senior airman

Allen, 48th Civil Engineer Squadron; Steven Barwick, 48th SPS; Toby Begendorf, 494th FS; Bridget Bivens, 48th Services Squadron, Rebecca Braaten; 48th OSS, Angela Bryant, 48th SPS; George Carter, 48th CES; Amanda St. Clare-Chabarria, 48th SUPS: Clayton Duffin, 48th EMS; Richard Ficker, 494th FS; James Gray, 48th CES; Phillip Harp, 48th SPS; Rachael Hawkins, 48th SPS; Jennifer Keith, 48th OSS; Kevin Lane, 48th SUPS; Todd McPhail, 48th MDSS: Sundae Shearer, 48th SPS; Jonathan Steiner, 48th Trans-Squadron; portation and Nathan Tichenor, 492nd

To senior airman, below-the-zone

Charles Albritton, 494th FS; Isaias Herrera, 48th SUPS; Lorie Smeznik, 48th OSS; and Michael Ward, 492nd FS.

To airman first class Karamat Ali, 48th EMS; Sean Rebecca Arbona, 48th Mission

Support Squadron; Donald Bannon, 493rd FS; Peter Delagarza, 48th CES; Cole Fricke, 494th FS; Misty Gordon, 48th MDOS; Johnny Hamm, 48th TRANS; Corey Hammond, 48th EMS; Brian Heath, 48th Communications Squadron; Shannon Hughes, 494th FS; William Kalisz, 48th CES; **Todd Menard**, 493rd FS; Theodore Moyer, 493rd FS; Michael Owens, 494th FS; Thomas Palmer, 492nd FS; Scott Reedy, 48th CS; Darren Richard, 493rd FS; Susan Robillard, 48th CS; Vanessa Shoemaker. 48th SVS: Neil Strange, 48th EMS; Jennifer Trance, 48th SVS; and Larissa Widdifield, 48th MDSS.

To airman

Caroline Cortez, 48th CS; Dale Harrison, 48th CRS; Bret Leer, 48th EMS; Adam Moreau, 48th CRS; James Watson, 48th CRS; and Mathew Williamson, 48th **EMS**

Awards

☐ A member of the military personnel flight recently received high honors. A1C Kandyce Griffin, 48th Mission Support Squadron Military Personnel Flight, is the base level specialist Personnel Manager of the Year for USAFE.

☐ Rex Keegan, base pollution prevention program manager, received the USAFE Civil Engineer Award for Recycling Excellence. Keegan also received the USAFE Recycling Program Manager of the Year award and the USAFE Civil Engineer Manager of the Year Award.

☐ The **48th Medical Group** was named the 1996 USAFE Outstanding Medical Logistics Large Activity of the Year award.

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log, available on AFPC's Homepage at http://www.afpc.af.mil.

1998 retraining program released

The fiscal year 1998 first-term airman retraining program has been released. Airman who have a DEROS between October 1997 and September 1998 and have at least 36 months time in service for four-year enlistees, or have 60 months time in service for six year enlistees, are eligible to apply. For more information, call Ext. 2434.

WAPS changes for those exempt from SKT

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — The Weighted Airman Promotion System will soon change its formula for people exempt from the Specialty Knowledge Test.

Last year, the Enlisted Evaluation System Review Group recommended a study to consider adjusting the weighted values for those members in SKT-exempt status. Armstrong Laboratory looked at promotion statistics and recommended doubling the Promotion Fitness Examination points for members not taking the SKT.

Air Force officials say the revision will bring the relative weights of time in grade and time in service into line with that of individuals who take both the SKT and PFE.

Normally, WAPS scores are based on maximum scores of 100 points for the PFE,

100 for the SKT, 135 for enlisted performance reports, 25 for decorations, 60 for time in grade and 40 for time in service. The total is a maximum of 460 points.

The SKT-exempt formula doesn't include the 100 SKT points, and promotes based on the remaining 360 points. Therefore, more weight was given to time in grade and time in service than in the standard 460-point WAPS formula, in some cases making it difficult for the more junior members to be promoted.

In one example, a professional military education instructor with two years time in grade and six years' time in service who tested for technical sergeant needed to score more than 100 points to meet the promotion cutoff score during the first three years he tested in that SKT-exempt Air Force specialty.

Under the new method of doubling the PFE score, that same person would have been promoted the first time eligible with a score in the 90s and in the 80s thereafter — comparable scores to other specialties where individuals take both tests.

"This is a major step forward to level the promotion playing field for all members, regardless of their specialty," said Lt. Gen. Michael D. McGinty, Air Force deputy chief of staff, personnel.

In fiscal 1997, this improvement is expected to affect more than 9 percent of all airman who will test for promotion, or about 12,000 members.

The modified WAPS test structure for SKT-exempt airmen will be in place for promotion test cycles that start in January.

Awards

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☐ The 48th Comptroller Flight was recently named USAFE Finincial Management and Comptroller Organization of the year.

☐ Sixteen Lakenheath people were named environmental quality champions. They are: SSgt. Chris Austin, 492nd Fighter Squadron; SSgt. James Blair, 48th Component Repair Squadron; TSgt. Darryl Brawn, 48th EMS;

SrA. Jeff Compton, Aerospace Medicine Squadron; Jim Duval, 48th Supply Squadron; SSgt. Gordon Ford, 48th CRS; TSgt. Wayne Gish, 48th EMS; MSgt. Bill Harris, 48th Fighter Wing; TSgt. Chris Hensen, 48th EMS; SSgt. Robert Knuth, 48th Transportation Squadron; MSgt. Greg Mayer, 48th SUPS; TSgt. Rich Shields, 48th CRS; SSgt. Dan Skidmore, 48th CRS; MSgt. Ed Spengler, 48th Logistics Support Squadron; SSgt. William Twiggs, 48th Security Police Squadron; and SMSgt. John Walsh, 48th EMS.

Graduates

Twenty-five Liberty Wing members graduated from Airman Leadership School recently. **SrA. Randy Bitter**, 451st Intelligence Squadron, was a distinguished graduate and **SrA. Nicole Woolingham**, 48th Medical Support Squadron, received the Military Citizenship Award.

The other graduates were **SrA. Kathryn Bergman**, 48th MDSS; **SrA. Steven Burdine**, 48th Medical Operations Squadron; **SrA. Joseph Carter**, 48th Communications Squadron; **SrA. Israel Caughran**, 48th Supply Squadron; **SrA. Kerry Dozier**, 48th Comptroller Flight; **SrA. Derrick Ducharme**, 48th Civil Engineer Squadron; **SrA. Christopher Ingram**, 48th

Component Repair Squadron; SrA. Wayne Jones, 48th Equipment Maintenance Squadron; SrA. Jason Kalinowski, 48th CRS; SrA. James Liessmann, 48th EMS; SrA. Charles Lundine, 48th EMS; SrA. Terrance Mergerson, 48th CRS; SrA. Gabriel Nerf, 48th EMS; SrA. Jason Olheiser, 493rd Fighter Squadron; SrA. Christopher Parker, 493rd FS; SrA. Billy Parrish, 493rd FS; SrA. Robin Petelo, 48th EMS; SrA. Andrea Quick, 48th Logistics Support Squadron; SrA. Raymond Smith, 48th SUPS; SrA. Joseph Stickel, 48th CS; SrA. Thomas Stillman, 492nd FS; SrA. Michael Tousley, 451st IS; and SrA. Bryan Winningham, 48th CRS.

Liberty Warrior

"Can do" person of the week



Photo by SrA. Gary Fowler

A1C Jamie Sullivan

48th Mission Support Squadron

Hometown: Boston, Mass.

Time in service: Two years, nine months

Time on station: Nine months

Role in mission: I provide customer support in the orderly room for members of the 48th Mission Support Squadron and wing staff agencies.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? I would like to have completed my education and have cross-trained into a medical career field.

What do you like the most about Britain? The English people and visiting historical parts of the country.

What would you do to make things better at RAF Lakenheath? Expand the education program to make more classes and labs available for military members.

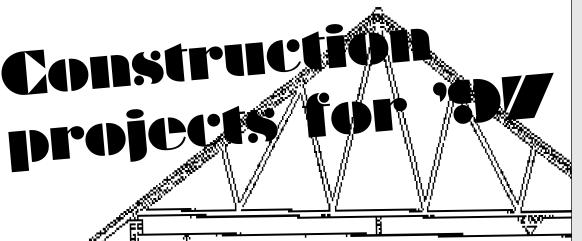
What is your greatest achievement? Skydiving! I overcame my fear of heights.

Why did you join the Air Force? To travel and pursue my education.

What do you like the best about the Air Force? The experience of working with people, the travel opportunities and exposure to various cultures.

What are your plans for the new year? Pursue my college education and to expand on my physical fitness program.

On the Cover



Status definitions

Program - Project is waiting to be designed. **Design** - Project is in the process of being

designed.

Ready to advertise -

Project is ready for advertising to contractors.

Awarded - Project has been awarded to a contractor. Work should begin soon.

Construction - Work is underway on project.

The following is a list of construction projects the 48th Civil Engineer Squadron is currently working.

Some of the projects are nearly finished and some won't be started until late in the year.

Medical Group

Project: Repair hospital

elevators **Status:** Design **Cost:** \$151,000

Project: Repair hospital fire

safety system Status: Design Cost: \$162,400

Project: Repair hospital

water tank **Status:** Design **Cost:** \$203,000

Housing

RAF Lakenheath

Project: Install three playgrounds in Phase III housing

Status: Awarded

Cost: \$53,000
Note: Work should begin in

March. One playground will be located near Canterbury Close, one near Portsmouth Close and one near the temporary lodging facilities.

Project: Repair kitchens in 19 units on Thunderbird

Close

Status: Design Cost: \$275,500

Note: This is the last phase of the kitchen upgrade project for the entire Phase III

housing area.

Project: Repair fire damage

in housing unit

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$13,765

RAF Feltwell

Project: Replace windows in houses on Portal Close **Status:** Ready to advertise **Cost:** \$240,000

Project: Repair heating and install dishwashers in 14 units **Status:** Ready to advertise

Cost: \$205,000

Project: Repair kitchen and bath in 56 housing units

Status: Design Cost: \$823,200

Note: Provide kitchen and bath upgrades for 56 houses in the Windsor Circle housing area.

Project: Repair military family housing furniture storage facility

Status: Design Cost: \$2,923,300

Project: Construct new outdoor

recreation complex **Status:** Design **Cost:** \$448,500

Project: Install irrigation system at the Lakenheath golf

course **Status:** Design **Cost:** \$ 451,700

Note: Construction will begin in February.

Operations, maintenance

Lakenheath

Project: Addition to missile

maintenance shop **Status:** Design **Cost:** \$1,820,000

Project: Construct and repair 492nd FS aircraft maintenance

unit facility

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$520,500

Project: Construct Hangar 7 first

floor office spaces. **Status:** Ready to advertise

Cost: \$400,000

Project: Construct and repair fuels operations facility **Status:** Construction **Cost:** \$694,350

Project: Repair Training Detachment 16 facility (Bldg.

1219)

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$259,100

Project: Renovate tanker maintenance facility (Bldg.

1324)

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$437,300

Project: Repair bathrooms at

Detachment 16

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$155,000

Project: Demolish 1400-series

buildings Status: Program Cost: \$80,000

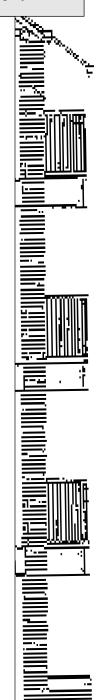
Project: Construct security police training facility Status: Awarded Cost: \$281,000

Project: Construct and repair addition to explosive ordnance

facility

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$681,000



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Project: Construct communications squadron administration facility Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$290,000

Project: Construct courtroom addition to Bldg. 1082 Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$387,200

Project: Construct and repair parking area near Bldgs. 1082

and 1085

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$434,000

Project: Demolish alarm shop

(Bldg. 1083) Status: Program Cost: \$50,000

Project: Construct addition to

post office

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$285,000

Note: This addition will consolidate the British Post office and the base information transfer system with the military postal

facility.

Project: Demolish site for new arts and crafts center

Status: Program Cost: \$50,000

Project: Construct and repair operations support squadron

dorm addition **Status:** Construction Cost: \$2,950,000

Due to be completed: July

Project: Construct and repair mission support squadron

dorm addition **Status:** Construction Cost: \$2,950,000

Due to be completed: July

Project: Construct and repair civil engineer squadron

dormitory

Status: Construction Cost: \$2,950,000

Due to be completed: July

Project: Repair temporary lodging facility (Bldg. 983)

Status: Construction Cost: \$490,300

Note: Installing new floors, walls, kitchens, bathrooms, heating and irrigation systems.

Due to be completed: March

Project: Repair TLF (Bldg.

Status: Awarded Cost: \$360,865

Note: Installing new floors, walls, kitchens, bathrooms, heating and irrigation systems.

Project: Install cable television in dormitory rooms Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$157,206

Note: Work should begin in

Project: Construct parking

area for Bldg. 957

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$361,000

Note: This project will remove the island between the officers' club and lodging and will add approximately 40 new parking spaces in the area.

Project: Construct permanent parking lot near high school Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$121,500

Note: This project will replace the cement slab parking area near the high school with a permanent parking lot.

Project: Demolish skeet range Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$35,000

Project: Demolish outdoor recreation facility

Status: Design **Cost:** \$50,000

Project: Repair base roads Status: Construction

Cost: \$225,500

Note: Work will be done throughout the base but the majority will be done on Rabbit Run Road. The road will be dug up and completely redone.

Due to be completed: Work to be done throughout the

Project: Construct fire alarm system in weapon storage area Status: Ready to advertise

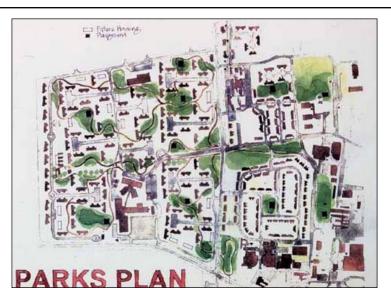
Cost: \$245,500

Project: Construct response

force facility **Status:** Construction

Cost: \$270,000

Due to be completed: April



Feltwell

Project: Construct communications squadron dormitory addition

Status: Awarded Cost: \$2,532,000

Note: This project not only improves the dormitory, but includes updating the RAF Feltwell Community Activities Center. Work should begin in

April. Due to be completed: March

Project: Construct transportation squadron dormitory addition Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$330.000

Project: Construct high voltage ring main Status: Design Cost: \$247,900

Note: This allows electricians to feed electrical power to areas throughout the base so a break in the power supply won't "black out" large areas

of the base.

Project: Construct and repair basewide water system

Status: Construction

Cost: \$900,000

Note: This project improves basewide water distribution, will increase water pressure and provide better fire fighting

capabilities.

Due to be completed: January

DODDS

Project: Repair elementary

school play area

Status: Design Cost: \$233,000

Project: Repair interior door

locks

Status: Design Cost: \$30,000

Project: Upgrade electrical

system Status: Design Cost: \$396,600

Project: Upgrade electrical

system Status: Design Cost: \$236,000

Environmental Conservation

Program

Project: Repair heating, ventilation and air conditioning system throughout the wing Status: Design Cost: \$520,000

Note: Enables civil engineers to monitor and control most heating and cooling systems throughout the wing from a

single point

Project: Repair warehouse boilers in Bldgs. 1071/2/3

Status: Design Cost: \$170,000

Military construction program

Project: Construct new

dormitory Status: Program Cost: \$3,600,000

Note: This will be a one-plusone style dormitory located near the fitness center where



the softball field is now. It will house 196 people.

Project: Build addition to jet

engine shop **Status:** Program **Cost:** \$2,500,000

Project: Build addition and repair F-15E weapons release

facility **Status:** Design **Cost:** \$2,400,000

Fiscal year 1998 projects

Project: Repair Waterbeach

housing units

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$406,000 **Note:** This will include landscaping, installing new front doors and windows.

Project: Improve 32 Phase III

housing units **Status:** Design **Cost:** \$2,159,000

Note: Improvements include the addition of a second bathroom and utility room where the current storage shed is and calls for more kitchen cabinets and counter space when washers and dryers are moved.

Funding for the following projects has been requested.

Medical Group

Project: Construct outdoor pavilion areas near medical

facilities **Status:** Design **Cost:** \$273,900

Project: Demolish medical equipment repair shop Status: Program Cost: \$110,000

Project: Construct and repair

dental clinic Status: Design Cost: \$2,999,500 Project: Construct medical

parking area **Status:** Program **Cost:** \$121,800

Note: This parking area will be located behind the hourly child care facility and will provide an additional 70 parking spaces.

Project: Repair hospital

exterior doors Status: Program Cost: \$121,800

Housing

Project: Replace doors on all housing units on Trenchard Close and Portal Close **Status:** Ready to advertise

Cost: \$156,300

Project: Repair heating in 45

Phase III units **Status:** Design **Cost:** \$502,400

Project: Repair 64 heaters in

Phase III housing **Status:** Design **Cost:** \$714,600

Project: Replace front doors in Phase III housing

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$202,100

Project: Repair roof in 88

Phase III houses

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$853,900

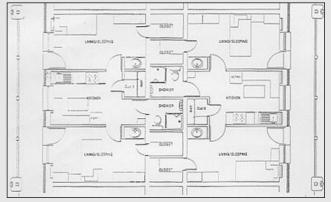
Project: Repair 74 housing

units at RAF Watton **Status:** Design **Cost:** \$1,278,400 **Note:** This will include landscaping, installing new front doors and windows.

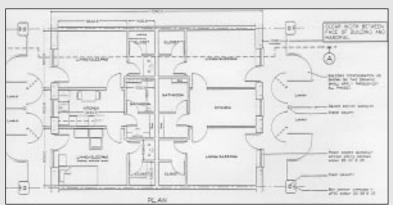
Non-appropriated fund Defense Commissary Agency and AAFES

Project: Construct arts and

crafts center **Status:** Program



Floor plan for 800-series dormitories currently under construction.



Floor plan for the new dormitorty to be built where the softball field is near the fitness and sports center.



Illustrations provided by 48th CES

A computer image of the new dormitory to be constructed near the fitness and sports center.

On the Cover

Cost: \$4,300,000

Note: A new building will be constructed where the Electric Avenue and the tax center are now to serve as both the arts and crafts center and Electric Avenue.

Project: Renovate rod and

gun club **Status:** Program Cost: \$250,000

Project: Renovate base

swimming pool Status: Design Cost: \$750,000

Project: Renovate and repair golf course pro shop and snack

Status: Program Cost: \$465,000

Project: Construct new skeet

range

Status: Design Cost: \$173,600

Project: Construct new car wash and entrance

Status: Program Cost: \$100,000

Project: Repair commissary

Status: Design Cost: \$3,000,000

Note: Commissary will get new floors, lighting and freezer units. Work should

begin un July.

DODDS

Project: Repair Hangar 72 (Feltwell school gymnasium)

Status: Design Cost: \$2,791,400

Project: Repair science

classrooms Status: Design Cost: \$1,100,000

Project: Renovate automotive

facility

Status: Design Cost: \$379,000

Environmental Conservation Program

Project: Repair boilers Status: Construction Cost: \$699,900

Note: Enables civil engineers to monitor and control most heating and cooling systems throughout the wing from a

single point

Due to be completed:

February

Project: Install energy-saving lights throughout the base

Status: Design Cost: \$450,000

Project: Construct hazardous waste storage tank near the corrosion control facility

(Bldg. 1470) Status: Program Cost: \$46,900

Project: Construct hazardous waste storage tank near Hangar 7 (Bldg. 1254) **Status:** Program Cost: \$46,900

NATO funded programs

Project: Restore Hangar 6

Status: Design Cost: \$4,158,300

Project: Construct new parachute shop

Status: Design Cost: \$1,098,600

Project: Restore wing command post Status: Design Cost: \$515,000

Project: Restore 492nd Fighter Squadron operations

facility Status: Design Cost: \$518,700

Project: Restore hardened

avionics facility Status: Design Cost: \$1,126,000

Project: Restore storm drainage system Status: Design Cost: \$910,000

Project: Restore perimeter

fence

Status: Program Cost: \$143,100

Project: Repair power distribution in Hangar 7 Status: Program Cost: \$250,000

Operations, maintenance

Project: Repair lighting in hardened aircraft shelters Status: Ready to advertise Cost: \$2,000,000

Project: Repair AAFES service station (Bldg. 1030) Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$60,000

Note: Repair external brick siding and internal walls, install new roller shutter doors and construct a new canopy

over gas pumps.

Project: Construct jet engine

shop

Status: Design Cost: \$800,000

Project: Repair parachute

Status: Design Cost: \$273,800

Project: Construct addition to civil engineering operations facility (Bldg. 1155) Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$593,600

Project: Construct base parks Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$250,000

Note: Construct three park areas with playground equipment, pavilions, benches, sidewalks, landscaping and running and cycling fitness path.

Project: Construct 494th Fighter Squadron sortie generation building (Bldg.

1286) Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$766,000

Project: Repair vehicle maintenance facility (Bldg.

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$121,200 Project: Survey sewage

system

Status: Ready to advertise Cost: \$49,000

Project: Construct communications squadron

storage facility Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$633,000

Project: Construct Yarmouth Road parking

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$180.000

Note: Extends Yarmouth Road parking area to include widening Oxford Cresent and adds additional parking spaces. Project includes installing drainage, sidewalks,

lighting and landscaping.

Project: Install elevator in visiting officers quarters

(Bldg. 978)

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$335,000

Note: This project will enable disabled patrons and custodial workers access to upper floors.

Project: Groundwork in dormitory common areas Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$295,000

Note: Repairs the landscaping and adds common outdoor seating in the 900-series dormitories.

Project: Construct disaster preparation facility Status: Ready to advertise Cost: \$272,800

Project: Construct civil engineering workshops Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$870.000

Note: Construct infrastructure, utilities and barrier shops.

Project: Construction at base

swimming pool

Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$200,000

Note: Provides a new steel structure erected over the existing building to help control water leaks and heat

Project: Construct supply

parking area Status: Ready to advertise

Cost: \$88,000

Note: The lot will be located near the supply warehouse and will create and additional 24 parking spaces.

Project: Construct new military working dog kennel compound

Status: Design Cost: \$250,000

Project: Repair base chapel at

Feltwell Status: Design Cost: \$284.000

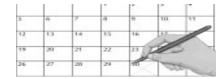
Note: Replace doors, carpets, drapes, ceilings, lighting and fire detection equipment. Replace kitchen equipment

and redecorate.

Project: Construct contracting

facility Status: Design Cost: \$801,000

Mark your calendars Many events make new year colourful includes the Snalding Flower Parade and British grand prix



By Linda Laws Community relations advisor

appy New Year to you. I hope your holiday season was enjoyable. I realise that with sub-zero temperatures outside just now, it is hard to imagine venturing out, but it will get better! I have listed some of the upcoming events in this country that you might like to mark on your calendars.

Yorvik Festival

The Yorvik Festival is held Feb. 8 - 15 in York, North Yorkshire. The festival is colourful with a Viking theme which includes fireworks displays, torchlit processions, longboat races and concerts. For more information, call the Yorvik Festival Office at (01904) 643211, or write to Piccadilly House, 55 Piccadilly, York, YO1 1PL.

Chinese New Year, Year of Ox

The Chinese New Year is celebrated Feb. 9 in Leicester Square, London. This is a traditional celebration to bring in the Chinese New Year with dragon dances, music and street entertainment. For more information, call Malcom Man at (0171) 734 5161, or write Lison House, 173 Wardour Street, London W1V 3TA.

University boat race

The annual Oxford vs. Cambridge University Boat Race is March 29 on the River Thames between Putney and Mortlake, London. For more information, call (0171) 379 3234.

Flora London Marathon

The 26-mile Flora London Marathon is April 13. It starts at Blackheath, finishes in The Mall and covers a course through the heart of London. For details, call (0171) 620 4117.

Flower parade, country fair

Britain's biggest and best flower festival is May 3 - 5 in Spalding, Lincolnshire, and



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includes the Spalding Flower Parade and British grand prix Springfields Country Fair. The parade takes place May 5. The fair includes stalls, music and entertainment. For more information, call the commercial manager at (01775) 724843, or write to Springfields, Camelgate, Spalding, Lincolnshire, PE12 6ET.

Motor cycling grand prix

The Isle of Man Motor Cycling Grand Prix is May 26 - June 6 at various venues on the island. For details, call (01624) 624104.

Trooping the Colour

Trooping the Colour is June 14 and celebrates the Queen's Official Birthday Parade in Whitehall, London. It is a colourful ceremony with music and pageantry during which Her Majesty The Queen takes the salute. It begins at 11 a.m. To get tickets, write to the Ticket Office, HQ Household Division, Chelsea Barracks, London SW1H 8RF. Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. For more information, call (0171) 414 2357.

Royal Ascot

Royal Ascot, a horse-racing festival, is June 17 - 20 at Ascot Racecourse in Berkshire. This famous annual event is attended by members of the Royal Family and is renowned as much for its grand show of fashion as for its high racing standards. For details, call (01344) 22211.

Dickens' Festival

The Dicken's Festival is June 21 - 28 at various venues in Broadstairs, Kent. For more information, call (01843) 863453.

Tennis championships

The Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships are June 23 - July 6 at Wimbledon, London. The doubles and singles championships for men and women attract many visitors each year. Although tickets are allocated by a ballot and the deadline for entry was in December, outside court tickets are available daily at the gate. To be included in next year's ballot, send for information from The All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Church Road, Wimbledon, London, SW19 5AE. For details, call (0181) 946 2244.

Henley Royal Regatta

The Henley Royal Regatta is July 2 - 6 at Henley-on-Thames in Oxfordshire. As well as being an international rowing event, it is also one of the big social events of the year. Straw boaters, striped blazers and strawberry teas by the river are very much part of the scene. For more information, call (01491) 572153.

The British Grand Prix is July 10 - 13 at the Silverstone Circuit in Northamptonshire. This Formula 1 championship is the highlight of the motor racing calendar. For more information, call (01327) 857271, or write to Silverstone Circuits Limited, Towcester, Northamp-tonshire, NN12 8TN.

Royal Tournament

The Royal Tournament is July 15 - 26 at the Earls Court Exhibition Centre, Warwick Road, in London. It is a military display of skill and pageantry by the armed forces in aid of service charities. For details, call (0171) 370 8202, or write to Box Office, Earls Court Exhibition Centre, Warwick Road, London, SW5 9TA.

Golf championship

The British Open Golf Championship is July 17 - 20 on the Royal Troon Golf Course in Scotland. For more information, call (01334) 472112.

Cambridge Folk Festival

The Cambridge Folk Festival is July 25 - 27 at Cherry Hinton Hall Grounds in Cambridge. It is a festival of folk music in its broadest sense, featuring top international artists. For more information, call (01223) 463363.

Edinburgh Tattoo

The Edinburgh Tattoo is Aug. 1 - 23 in Edinburgh, Scotland. Scotland's premier event presents the Massed Bands of Her Majesty's Royal Marines together with the Military Bands of The Scottish Division and the Massed Pipes and Drums representing Scotland's regiments. There will be many fringe events in the city during August. For more information, call (0131) 225 1188 or write to The Tattoo Office, 32 Market Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1QB.

Notting Hill Carnival

The Notting Hill Carnival is Aug. 24 - 25 at Ladbroke Grove, London. This is an annual West Indian carnival with stalls, steel bands, dance and processions. For more information, call (0181) 964 0544, or write to Notting Hill Carnival Enterprises Limited, 332 Ladbroke Grove, London W10 5AH.

International boat show

The Southampton International Boat Show is Sept. 13 - 21 at Mayflower Park, Southampton, Hampshire. It is an exhibition covering all aspects of marine activities and is the largest of its kind in Europe. For more information, call (01784) 473377.

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Red Cross

The American Red Cross accepts applications for volunteer dental assistant training until Jan. 21. Classes begin Feb. 18.

The Red Cross offers baby-sitting class at 5-7 p.m. Jan. 17 and from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Jan. 18. A baby-sitting instructor candidate training from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Jan. 18. The baby-sitting instructor class is from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Jan. 25 and Feb. 1.

For more information, call Ext. 1855.

Girl Scout anniversary

The Anglia Girl Scouts sponsor an 85th Anniversary reunion for all active and former scouts. The reunion will kick off Girl Scout Week, which is March 8 - 15. Formore information, call (01638) 521675.

CGOC meeting

The company grade officers' council meets at 4:30 p.m. today in the officers' club Suffolk Room. For more information, call Capt. Patrick Ryder at Ext. 2151.

Launderette prices rise

The price of washing clothes at United States Air Forces in Europe launderettes rose Jan. 1. The price for regular loads is \$1 and for large loads is \$1.75. Costs rose \$.25. This is the first price increase since July 1995.

ESC meeting

January's enlisted spouses club meeting is 7 p.m. Monday at the Liberty Club. For more information, call (01638) 714871.

Chapel events

☐ The 1997 RAF Lakenheath National Prayer breakfast is 7 a.m. Jan. 30. Chap. (Col.) Lorraine Potter, USAFE Chaplain, is the speaker. Tickets are available beginning Monday from the base chapel and in unit orderly rooms for \$4.

☐ The chapel Wee Joy program is available for children 6 months to 3 years old. While children attend, parents are free to attend worship services and religious education classes.

For more information about these programs, call the chapel at Ext. 3711.

Legal office volunteers

The legal office needs volunteers to staff the base tax center and to help others file 1996 state and federal taxes. Volunteers attend a one-week Internal Revenue Service course Monday - Jan. 17. For details, call Capt. Jennifer Dickey at Ext. 3553.

New York tax amnesty

New York offers a tax amnesty program to give taxpayers the opportunity to pay

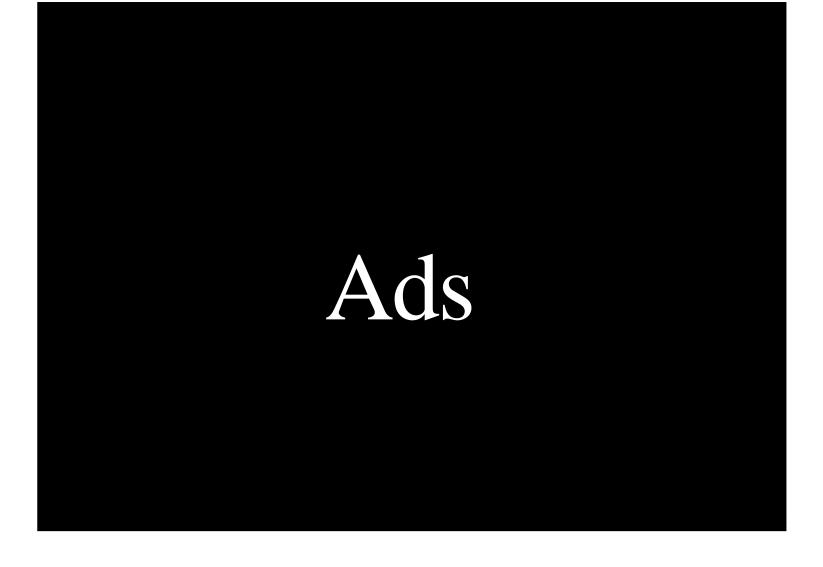
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Photo by SSgt. Valerie Weaver

Baby New Year

1st Lt. Daniel and Kimberly Sheesley gaze at their son, Keenan. The child was born New Year's Day at 1:11 a.m. and is the first baby born at RAF Lakenheath in 1997.



Lakenheath-Feltwell Community Community

School notes

Term III begins Jan. 20

Embry-Riddle

Registration for Embry Riddle Aeronautical University Term III begins Jan. 6. Classes begin Jan. 20.

The university offers a bachelors degree in Professional Aeronautics, a masters degrees in Aeronautical Science and on-site evaluations of military credit.

They also offer up to 12 hours credit for military training for F-15E pilots and weapons officers. The credit would go toward a masters degree in Aeronautical Science.

For more information, call Susan Ferguson at Ext. 2464.

University of Oklahoma

The University of Oklahoma offers a 34-hour non-thesis Master of Human Relations degree. Students must enroll by Jan. 13 for the core course, Theoretical Foundations in Human Relations, which is held Feb. 11 - 16.

The university seeks people to gather their used books that are in good condition but not textbooks and deliver them to the university office in Bldg. 968. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. weekdays.

The books are then donated to OXFAM, a British agency that gives aid to third-world countries. For more information, call Barbara Lamont at Ext. 3125.

City Colleges of Chicago

City Colleges of Chicago offers more than 40 video courses in general subjects including biology, history, social sciences, math and English. For more information, call Pam Reinhard at Ext. 3825 Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Central Texas College

Term III registration at Central Texas College ends Jan. 17. Courses include Child Development, Emergency Medical Technician, Law Enforcement and Paralegal. For more information, call Ext. 3177 Mondays - Thursdays between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Testing schedule

The education center staff has scheduled the following graduate admission

☐ The Miller Analogies Test is Feb. 19 and April 23. Registration deadline is two weeks before the test date.

☐ The Graduate Record Exam is April 14. Registration deadline is Feb. 18.

For more information or to schedule a test, call the education center at Ext. 3851.

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past taxes, penalty free. The amnesty covers all taxable periods that ended before Jan. 1, 1995. The deadline is Jan. 31. For more information, call Capt. Jennifer Dickey at Ext. 3553.

After-school tutoring

After-school tutoring is available in math and science for students in grades 6 - 12 from 5:30 -7 p.m. Wednesdays in the high school cafeteria, room 507. For more information or to help tutor, call Celestine Mathews at Ext. 1792.

Lost and found

The 48th Security Police Squadron is responsible for all lost-and-found items on RAFs Lakenheath, Feltwell and the military family housing areas of each. For more information, call the investigations section at Ext. 2447 or the RAF Mildenhall Security Police investigations section at 89-2190.

Discount cosmetology services

The high school cosmetology students offer hair and nail services at low prices. All services are supervised by a fully qualified instructor. Services are from 3:30 - 5:45 p.m. most Thursdays. For details, call Ext. 5593.

For information about chapel and off-base worship services, call the RAF Lakenheath chapel staff at Ext. 3711.

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Contact the family support center staff at Ext. 3847 for information on any of the following programs, or stop by Bldg. 692. All classes are held in the center unless otherwise noted.

Adoption meeting

An adoption support group meeting is 12:30 -2:30 p.m. Sunday in the conference room.

PCSing with pets

A PCSing with your pet workshop is 7 - 8 p.m.

Wednesday in the conference room. Flight scheduling information is provided by the traffic management office and a local pet transportation professional, gives specifics on how to pets comfortable during trips.

Volunteer training

Basic windows training for volunteers is 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Thursday in the conference room.

Child, infant CPR

A child and infant CPR class for volunteers is 10:30 a.m. -2:30 p.m. Jan. 22 in the conference room. The course covers basic instructions for clearing air passageways and CPR for children.

Second language

English as a second language class is 6 - 8 p.m. Wednesdays and from 6 - 9 p.m. Thursdays in the small conference room.

Financial workshop

A mandatory financial workshop for E-4s and below is 1 - 3:30 p.m. Monday in the conference room.

Holiday blues workshop

A post holiday blues workshop is 2 - 4 p.m. Wednesday in the conference room. The workshop helps people cope with post holiday depression.

Communication

A communications workshop is 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Thursday in the small conference room.

Spouses group

foreign-born spouses group meets from 10 a.m. - noon every first Friday of the month and from 6 - 8 p.m. every last Friday of the month in the conference room.

Youth and teen life

A youth and teen life group meets from 4 - 5:30 p.m. every second Friday at the youth center. The group promotes personal development and effective coping skills among teenagers and pre-teens.

Lakenheath-Feltwell Community Combat Support & Community Service

Friday - Jan. 10

- ☐ A cake-decorating class is at the arts-and-crafts center from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. (Ext. 2194)
- ☐ Adult swimming lessons are at the swimming pool from 8 - 8:50 p.m. (Ext. 2815)
- ☐ The rod and gun club sponsors a dart tournament at 6 p.m. (Ext. 2368)
- ☐ "TGI Friday buffet" is at the officers' club at 5 p.m. (Ext. 2535)
- ☐ "Midnight Highway" performs at the rod and gun club from 9 p.m.- 2 a.m.

Saturday – Jan. 11

- ☐ A skating rink first anniversary party is 2 - 6 p.m. and 7-11 p.m. (Ext. 1627)
- ☐ The aero club accelerated ground school program begins. (Ext. 3152) ☐ Today is last day to sign
- up for Garmisch ski trip with Information, Tickets and Tours and outdoor recreation. (Ext. 2979 or 2146) ☐ The men's varsity bas-
- ketball team plays RAF Mildenhall at 11 a.m. at the fitness and sports center. (Ext. 3249)

Sunday – Jan. 12

- ☐ Electric Avenue sponsors \$1 video rentals, except for new releases today. (Ext. 2067)
- ☐ Information, Tickets and Tours sponsors a London Historical trip. (Ext.
- ☐ "The Taj Mahal" Sunday brunch is at the Liberty club from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and is open to all ranks. (Ext. 3869)
- ☐ Sunday night football is at the Freedom Café at 6 p.m. (Ext. 3869)

The trip leaves at 5 p.m. from the community

activities center and costs \$10 for adults and

\$8.50 for children. Sign up in advance by

Electric Avenue stocks a large selection of

Auditions for "I Hate Hamlet" are at 7 p.m.

telephones, answering machines, personal fax

machines, adapters and extension cords. For

All you can eat

The Liberty Club sponsors an all-you-caneat seafood buffet from 5 - 9:30 p.m. Saturday. Cost is \$13.95 for members and \$15.95 for non-members. Call Ext. 3869 for details.

The officers' club sponsors an all-youcan-eat seafood buffet from 5:30 - 8 p.m. Wednesday. Cost is \$16.95 for members, \$18.95 for non-members, \$5.50 for children 6 -12 and free for children 5 and under. Call Ext. 2535 for more information.

Miss Saigon

Information, Tickets and Tours has tickets on sale for the Jan. 18 performance of Miss Saigon. Call Ext. 2979 for details.

Pet trip

The Animal Crackers pet club sponsors a trip to Welney Wildlife Center Wednesday.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at the community activities center. For details, call Ext.

more information, call Ext. 2067.

Rod and gun club

calling Ext. 2221.

Electric Avenue

'I Hate Hamlet'

The rod and gun club offers floodlit skeet shooting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays. They also sponsor the RAF Lakenheath Intramural Dart League at 6 p.m. Thursdays and the RAF Mildenhall Intramural Dart League at 6 p.m. Tuesdays. For details, call Ext. 2368.

Elvis trivia competition

The RAF Feltwell Community Activities Center sponsors an Elvis trivia quiz through Jan. 24. Answer four questions correctly and have your name entered in a drawing to win an Elvis compact disc.

Skills development classes

The skills development program offers the following classes in January:

- ☐ The arts-and-crafts center has darkroom and developing, tole painting, cake-decorating, embroidery, wreath-making and egg-decorating classes. Call Ext. 2194 for details.
- ☐ The auto craft center offers "Get to Know Your Car" classes throughout the month. Call Ext. 2454 for details.
- ☐ The woodcrafts center offers furniture restoration, stained glass and woodturning classes. For more information, call Ext. 3367.

At the movies

RAF Lakenheath

Today

"The First Wives Club" (PG) Starring Bette Midler, Goldie Hawn and Diane Keaton. A comic revenge tale of three close friends, who have been divorced by their husbands in favor of younger women. The three concoct a plan to exact bitter vengeance upon their ex-husbands.

9:30 p.m. - "The Chamber" (R) Starring Chris O'Donnell and Gene Hackman. A Chicago attorney discovers that his client, a white supremacist on death row, is also his grandfather. He fights to spare him from execution.

Saturday
4 p.m. – "The Associate" (PG-13) Starring Whoopie Goldberg and Diane West. Even though she is a financial genius, Goldberg realizes her gender is holding her back. As a solution, she creates a phantom partner that puts Wall Street in a spin.

7 p.m. — "The First Wives Club" (PG) 9:30 p.m. - "The Ghost and the Darkness" (R) Starring Val Kilmer and Michael Douglas. Set in the 1800s, this is the story of the two men hired to find and kill the two lions who went on a man-eating rampage and killed more than 130people, stopping Britain's plan to build an East African railroad

Sunday

4 p.m. – "The Associate" (PG-13)

7 p.m. - "Two Days in the Valley" (R) Starring James Spader and Danny Aielo. Hitmen are hired to kill the philandering ex-husband of an Olympic athlete. Ten citizens of the San Valley Fernando

become linked after the murder of the husband.

Monday 7 p.m. – "The Associate" (PG-13)

Tuesday 7 p.m. – "The Ghost and the Darkness" (R)

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Today

7 p.m. - "The Associate" (PG-13)

Saturday 7 p.m. – "The Long Kiss Goodnight" (R) Starring Genna Davis and Samuel L. Jackson. An ordinary housewife with amnesia hires a private detective to help her uncover her past. Together, they discover that she's actually a highly trained secret agent.

Sunday

7 p.m. – "Fly Away Home" (PG) Starring Jeff Daniels and Anna Paquin. Young Amy must come to terms with the death of her mother and the sudden presence of her long-absent father. Monday

7 p.m. – "Thinner" (R) Starring John Burke and Joe Mantegna. Based on Stephen King's 1985 novel about a 280-pound lawyer who's been cursed by a gypsy. No matter how much he eats, he loses three pounds a day.

Tuesday 7 p.m. – "The Long Kiss Goodnight" (R)

7 p.m. - "The Long Kiss Goodnight" (R) Thursday

7 p.m. – "Fly Away Home" (PG)

Jan. 17

7 p.m. – "Thinner" (R)



Knights Table

Today Lunch: veal paprika steaks, chicken Parmesan, vegetarian Stuffed cabbage
Dinner: El Rancho stew, chili macaroni, roast veal with herbs

Saturday
Lunch: lasagna, fried chicken
Dinner: roast turkey with barbecue sauce, braised pork chops

Sunday Lunch: beef-and-corn pie, pineapple chicken Dinner: tarragon beef and noodles, sweet-and-sour pork Monday
Lunch: barbecue ham steaks, savory baked chicken, vegetar-

ian stuffed peppers
Dinner: red beans and sausage, turkey nuggets, stir-fry beef
and broccoli

Tuesday Lunch: Swedish meatballs, scalloped tuna and peas, crispy-

Lunch: Swedish meatballs, scalloped tuna and peas, crispy-baked chicken

Dinner: Yankee pot roast, grilled Polish sausage, herbed-paked fish

Lunch: tacos, chicken fajitas, burritos, tamale pie Dinner: chicken-fried steak, baked tuna and noodles, turkey a

Thursday

Lunch: spinach lasagna, sweet-and-sour spareribs, broccoli-chicken-potato casserole Dinner: Customer appreciation meal: top sirloin steak, shrimp scampi, herbed Cornish hens

Fitness & Sports

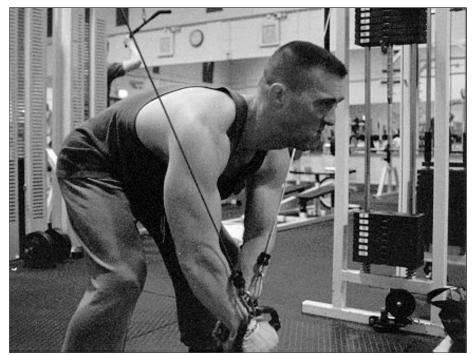


Photo by SrA. Jeff Capenos

Straining against the weight...

SSgt. Don Graver, 494th Fighter Squadron weapons element specialist, pulls one more set of crossovers during his weight lifting workout Tuesday in the gym.

3rd AF soars past Marines

By Capt. Steve Nierman 3rd AF Rugby Club teammate

The 3rd Air Force Rugby Club outgunned the U.S. Marines from Navy London 41 - 3 in their first interservice match Dec. 21.

The Air Force Eagles jumped an early lead thanks to a try from stand-off Dave Bjore. Bjore scored three tries against the Marines and was player of the match. Winger Brent Noisette also had two tries, including an 80-meter sprint early in the second half.

Although the Air Force continued to score at will during the second half, the Marines' scored late in the game as the result of a 40-meter drop-kick. But, that didn't stop prop Tony Ramirez, who banged through five Marines for a try with just minutes remaining. Also Brian Lord made four of six kicking conversions and a three-point penalty kick.

The 3rd Air Force team's season extends through March. For matches times, call club secretary Jeff Shangle at (01638) 533913.

Sports Shorts

In-line hockey registration

RAF Mildenhall in-line hockey registration begins Wednesday. The season begins March 8 and a clinic is 4 - 7 p.m. March 7. Cost is \$25 for the first child registered and \$20 for each additional child. The youth sports director is also looking for coaches for the sport. For more information, call Gary Vicsik at 89-2990

Jets play this weekend

The USAF hockey team, the Jets, play the Chelmsford Chargers at 5 p.m. Sunday at the Peterborough Ice Arena. There is no cost for admission. For directions, call the rink at (01733) 260222. For more information about the game or the Air Force team, call SSgt. Jeff Barr at Ext. 3090.

Swimming pool

The swimming pool is closed Monday from 6:45 - 8:30 p.m. for training.

The pool offers free lap swim to activeduty members weekdays during lap swim sessions. Lap swim sessions are: Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 6 -8:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and 5 -6:30 p.m. and Tuesdays from 6 - 8:30 a.m. and 5 - 6:30 p.m.

The swimming pool offers lifeguarding classes from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Jan. 18 and 26. The course costs \$100 and includes books.

Participants must be 15 years or older and must pass swimming pre-test.

Lessons are also available for children and adults. Registration for the next children's lesson sessions is through Feb. 4, with classes beginning Feb. 5. Adult classes are from 8-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Call Ext. 2815 for more information.

Fitness instructor certification

The fitness and sports center offers a fitness instructor certification training program Feb. 15 - 17. The course includes personnel fitness, aerobics, choreography and adult CPR. Register by Jan. 20. For more information, call Lorraine Botwright at Ext. 2391.

Aero club classes

Private pilot ground school begins Tuesday. The accelerated class is from Saturday to Jan. 26. The instrument class begins Feb. 4. Tuition assistance is available for those qualified. Block flying time is as low as \$36 per hour. For more information, call Ext. 3152.

Ski or tour Garmisch

Information, Tickets and Tours and outdoor recreation sponsor a skiing or touring package to Garmisch, Bavaria Feb. 15 - 23. Sign up by Saturday. For prices and more

information, call Ext. 2979 or 2146.

Liberty Lanes

Liberty Lanes offers a Winter Wonderful 30-game punch card for \$25. The cards are valid until Mar. 31 and may be used any time. Call Ext. 2108 for details.

Feltwell aerobics

The RAF Feltwell aerobics program is not offered at this time due to personnel changes. For more information, call Ext. 2221.

Water aerobics instructor

The swimming pool staff seeks a qualified water aerobics instructor. Classes are 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call Arthur McKay at Ext. 2815 for more information.

Varsity bowling roll offs

Varsity bowling roll offs begin Monday at Liberty Lanes for bowlers stationed at RAF Lakenheath. The top four men and women in this tournament will represent Lakenheath at the United States Air Forces in Europe bowling championships in March. This is a scratch tournament and each bowler is required to bowl 24 games. Sign up at Liberty Lanes by Sunday. For more information, call Ext. 2108.